

Geneva, 23–28 March 2026

A/IGWG/6/2

17 March 2026

Draft programme of work

Monday 23 March	
09:00–11:30	1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda and programme of work – The open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) will be invited to adopt the agenda and programme of work. <i>(Session open to IGWG members and Relevant Stakeholders)</i>¹ – Session with Relevant Stakeholders 2. Draft PABS Annex text – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section I. Scope, objectives and use of terms. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i>¹
11:30–13:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00–16:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section II. Implementation of the PABS System, A. Operation of the PABS System. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i>¹
16:30–18:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
18:00–20:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section II. Implementation of the PABS System, B. Access to PABS Materials and Sequence Information. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i>¹
20:30–23:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions (as needed)</i>
Tuesday 24 March	
09:00–11:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section II. Implementation of the PABS System, C. PABS System benefit-sharing. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i>¹
11:30–13:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
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14:00–16:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section III. Governance and review of the PABS System. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i>¹
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Wednesday 25 March	
09:00–09:30	<i>Session with Relevant Stakeholders</i>
09:30–12:00	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section II. Implementation of the PABS System, A. Operation of the PABS System. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ²
12:00–13:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00–16:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section II. Implementation of the PABS System, B. Access to PABS Materials and Sequence Information. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ²
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20:30–23:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions (as needed)</i>

Thursday 26 March	
09:00–11:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section III. Governance and review of the PABS System. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ²
11:30–13:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00–16:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section I. Scope, objectives and use of terms. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ²
16:30–18:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
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20:30–23:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions (as needed)</i>

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Friday 27 March	
09:00–11:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and discuss Section II. Implementation of the PABS System, B. Access to PABS Materials and Sequence Information. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ³
11:30–13:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
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Saturday 28 March	
09:00–11:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – Section to be determined
11:30–13:00	<i>Reserved for informal discussions</i>
13:00–14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00–16:30	2. Draft PABS Annex text (continued) – Section to be determined
16:30–18:00	
18:00–20:30	3. Proposals from Member States of entities to be included in Annex D and/or Annex E of document A/IGWG/4/3 Rev.1 (if any) – The IGWG will be invited to consider and agree to any additional proposals from Member States of entities to be included in Annex D and/or Annex E of document A/IGWG/4/3 Rev.1 (if any). <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ³ 4. Next steps – The IGWG will be invited to discuss next steps. <i>(Session open to IGWG members)</i> ³ 5. Report of the meeting – The IGWG will be invited to consider a draft report containing the main conclusions of the meeting. <i>(Session open to IGWG members and Relevant Stakeholders)</i> ³ 6. Closure of the session

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